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**INVESTIGATING THE ACCURACY OF  
THREE GEODETIC DATUM  
TRANSFORMATION SOFTWARE FOR  
APPLICATION BETWEEN WGS84 AND  
MINNA<sub>BP</sub>DATUMS**

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## □ INTRODUCTION

- GNSS/GPS Observation
- Existing Control Stations

## ❖ Datum Transformation/Conversion Software

- Columbus software

- GeoCalc Software

- AllTrans Software

❖ **Objective of the Study**

## ❖ The Nigeria Geodetic Datum Parameters

- Ellipsoid: Clarke 1880 ( $a = 6378249.145\text{m}$ ,  $f = 1/293.465$ ).
- Station Name: L40 (latitude  $9^{\circ}38'08.87''\text{N}$  and longitude  $6^{\circ}30'58.76''\text{E}$ ).
- Orthometric height of station L40 = 281.13m.

## ❖ Transformation between WGS84 and Minna Datums

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}_{\text{Minna}} = \begin{pmatrix} T_X \\ T_Y \\ T_Z \end{pmatrix} + (1 + \Delta S) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & R_Z & -R_Y \\ -R_Z & 1 & R_X \\ R_Y & -R_X & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}_{\text{WGS84}}$$

(1)

## ❖ Conversion between Geodetic and Cartesian Rectangular Coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (N + h) \cos \varphi \cos \lambda \\ Y &= (N + h) \cos \varphi \sin \lambda \\ Z &= [N(1 - e^2) + h] \sin \varphi \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Where

$$N = \frac{a}{(1 - (2f - f^2) \sin^2 \varphi)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (3)$$

$$f = \frac{a - b}{a} \quad (4)$$

# Cartesian to Geodetic

$$\varphi = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{Z}{\sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}} \left( 1 - e^2 \left( \frac{N}{N+h} \right) \right)^{-1} \right] \quad (5)$$

$$\lambda = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{Y}{X} \right] \quad (6)$$

$$h = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} \cdot \sec \varphi - N \quad (7)$$

Where,

$$e^2 = \text{Eccentricity squared} = 0.006738266 \text{mE}$$

$$N = \text{radius of curvature as given in } \frac{0}{2} \text{Scale Factor: } 0.99975$$

## Transformation Parameters from WGS 84 to Minna

**Datum**  $\underline{x} = 93.809786 \text{m} \pm 0.375857310 \text{m}$

$$Ty = 89.748672 \text{m} \pm 0.375857310 \text{m}$$

$$Tz = -118.83766 \text{m} \pm 0.375857310 \text{m}$$

$$Rx = 0.000010827829 \pm 0.0000010311322$$

$$Ry = 0.0000018504213 \pm 0.0000015709539$$

$$Rz = 0.0000021194542 \pm 0.0000013005997$$

$$S = 0.99999393 \pm 0.0000010048219$$

## The Nigeria West Belt parameters

o Latitude Origin:  $4^\circ 00' 00''$

o Longitude Origin:  $4^\circ 30' 00''$

o False Northing: 0mN

o False Easting:

# □ METHODOLOGY

## ❖ Data Acquisition

- GNSS Observation of four points (FGPEDY33, ESO 1, ESO 2, ESO 3, ESO 4 and ESO 5)

Table 1: Geographic and Rectangular Coordinates of

STATION	the Points WGS84		MINNA (CLARKE ELLIPSOID)	
	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	NORTHING (m)	EASTING (m)
SEO01	6° 16' 42.97323"	5° 38' 12.00033"	251980.6255	356579.809 8
SEO02	6° 16' 36.54880"	5° 38' 10.50577"	251783.1869	356534.301 1
SEO03	6° 16' 33.29440"	5° 38' 11.79138"	251683.3076	356574.032 5
SEO04	6° 16' 28.62157"	5° 38' 11.27213"	251539.7379	356558.384 0 6

# ❖ Data Processing

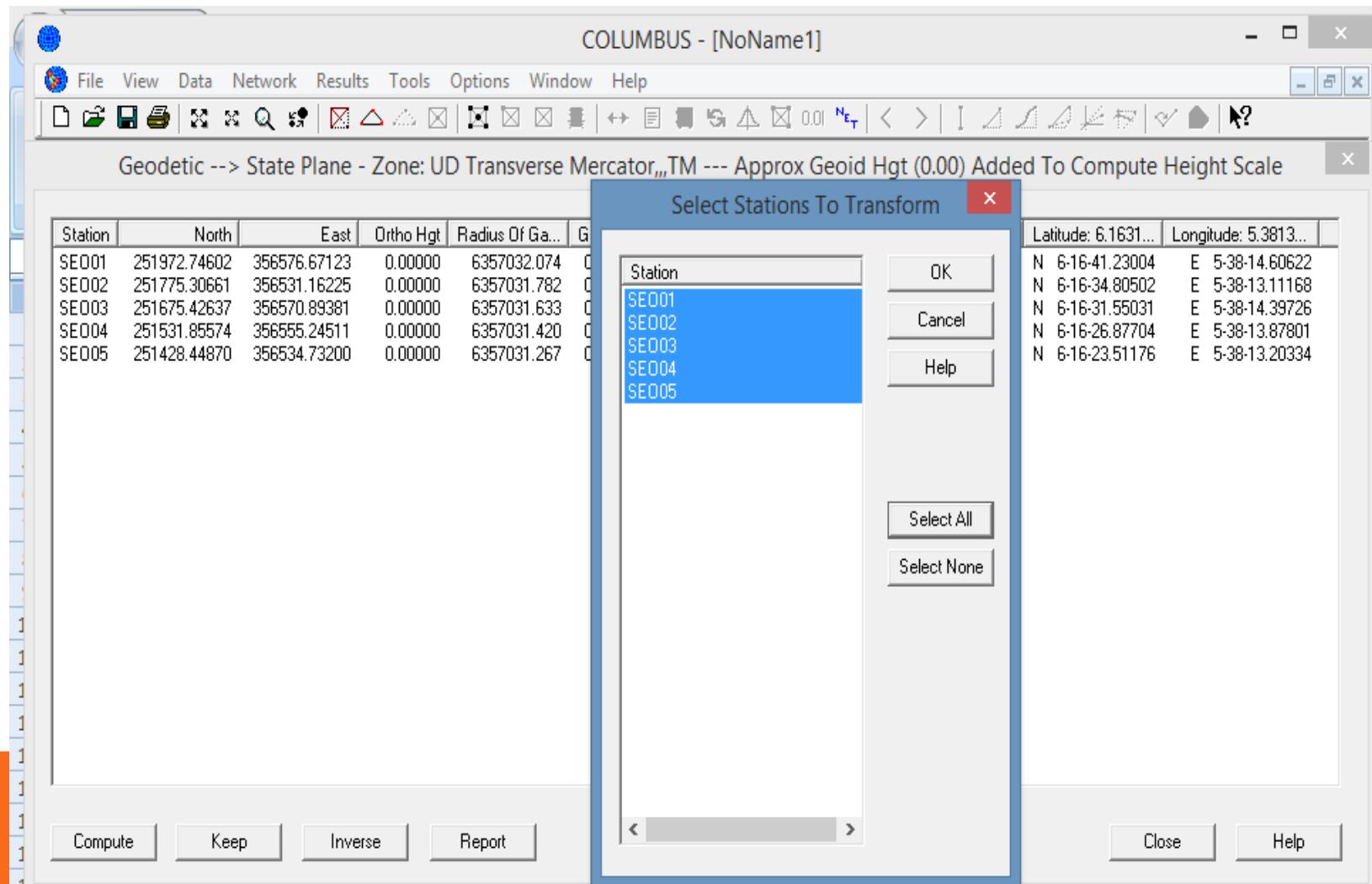


Figure 1: Transformation and Conversion of the Global Geographic Positions to Minna Datum Rectangular Coordinates Using 7 Columbus Software

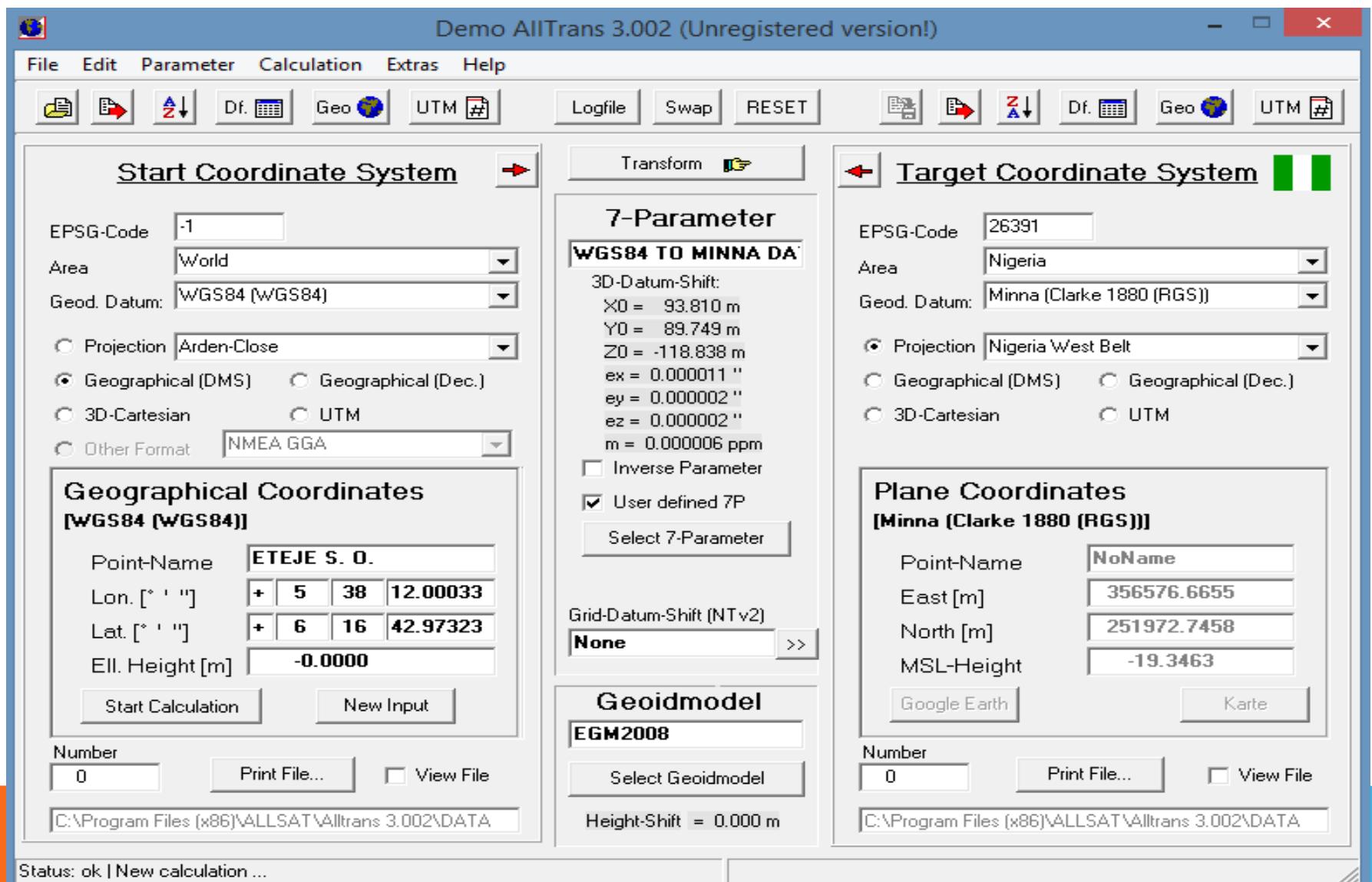


Figure 2: Transformation and Conversion of the Global Geographic Positions to Minna Datum Rectangular Coordinates Using<sup>8</sup> AllTrans 3.002 Software

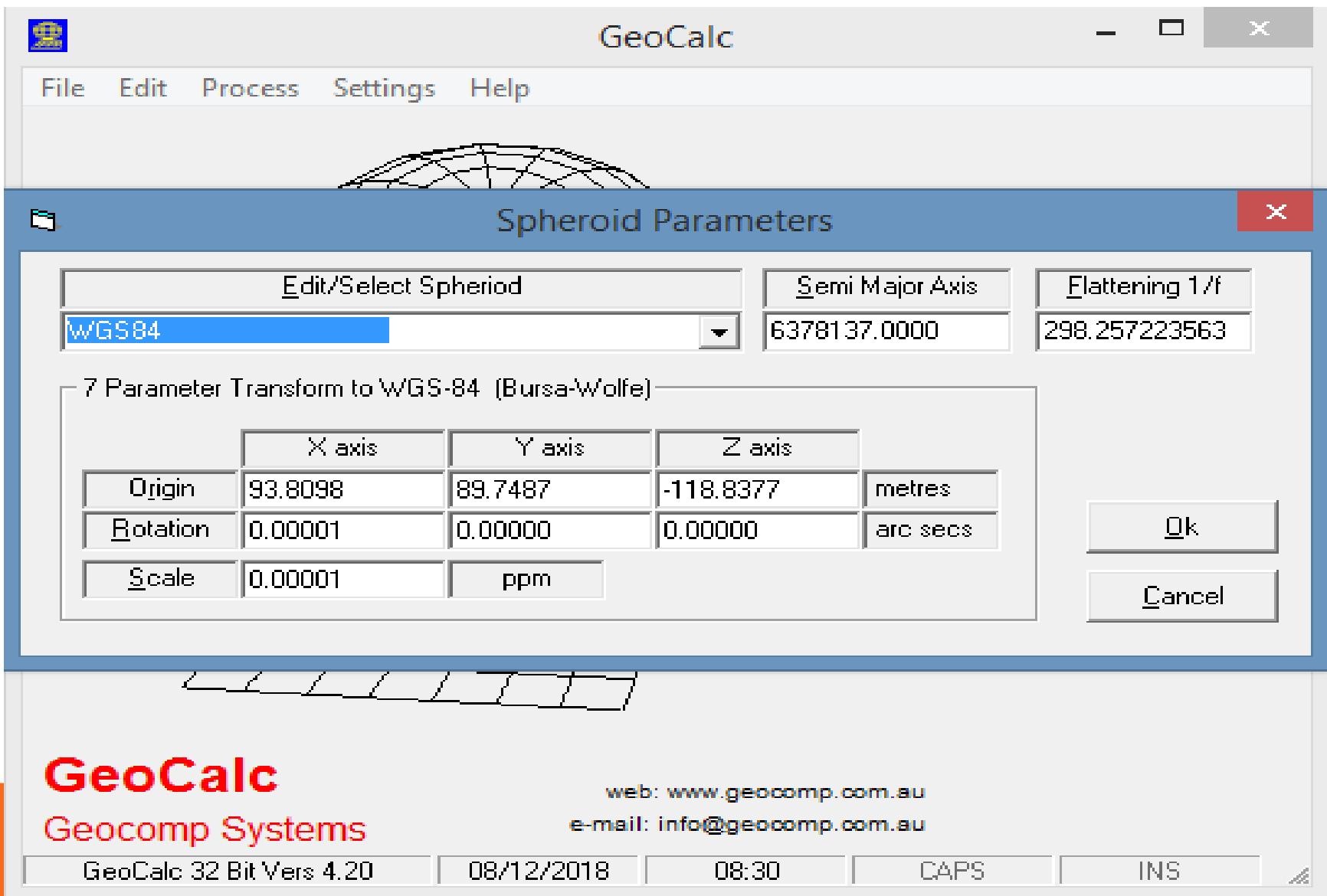


Figure 3: Transformation and Conversion of the Global Geographic Positions to Minna Datum Rectangular Coordinates Using <sup>9</sup>GeoCalc Software

# ❖ Results Presentation and Analysis

Table 2: Rectangular Coordinates of the Points Obtained Using  
Compass, Columbus, Geocal and AllTrans

Software STATI ON	MINNA (CLARKE ELLIPSOID)							
	COMPASS		COLUMBUS		GEOCAL		AllTrans	
	NORT HING (m)	EASTIN G (m)	NORTHI NG (m)	EASTIN G (m)	NORTHI NG (m)	EASTI NG (m)	NORTH ING (m)	EASTI NG (m)
SEO0 1	251980 .6255	356579. 8098	251972. 7460	356576. 6712	251694. 8359	356577 .2335	251972 .7458	356576 .6655
SEO0 2	251783 .1869	356534. 3011	251775. 3066	356531. 1622	251497. 3962	356531 .7258	251775 .3061	356531 .1564
SEO0 3	251683 .3076	356574. 0325	251675. 4264	356570. 8938	251397. 5156	356571 .4573	251675 .4260	356570 .8881
SEO0 4	251539 .7379	356558. 3840	251531. 8557	356555. 2451	251253. 9453	356555 .8070	251531 .8555	356555 .2395
SEO0 5	251436 .3314	356537. 8708	251428. 4487	356534. 7320	251150. 5368	356535 .2960	251428 .4484	356534 .7263

Table 3: Points Coordinate Differences between  
Compass and the Datum Transformation Software

STATION	COLUMBUS		GEOCAL		AllTrans	
	DIFF. IN NORTH ING (m)	DIFF. IN EASTIN G (m)	DIFF. IN NORTH ING (m)	DIFF. IN EASTIN G (m)	DIFF. IN NORTH ING (m)	DIFF. IN EASTI NG (m)
			285.789			
SEO01	7.8795	3.1386	6	2.5763	7.8797	3.1443
SEO02	7.8803	3.1389	285.790	2.5753	7.8808	3.1447
SEO03	7.8812	3.1387	285.792	2.5752	7.8816	3.1444
SEO04	7.8822	3.1389	285.792	2.5770	7.8824	3.1445
SEO05	7.8827	3.1388	285.794	2.5748	7.8830	3.1445
MEAN			285.791			

The screenshot shows a software application window with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, Help) and a toolbar with icons for back, forward, search, and publication status. The main content area has a sidebar titled 'Content' with sections for '1 Coor. System', '2 3D non-constraint Adjustment', and '3.2 2D adjustment distance'. The '1 Coor. System' section contains a table with parameters:

Reference factor	
x(north)Move(Offset)	7.9016 m
y(east)Move(Offset)	3.1438 m
Scale	0.0000ppm
Rotate	0.0000 s

The '3.2 2D adjustment distance' section contains a table with columns for Start point, End Point, North(x)/RMS (m), and East(y)/RM (r). The data rows are:

Start point	End Point	North(x)/RMS (m)	East(y)/RM (r)
FGPEDY33	SEO01	-756.5215	0.0000
	SEO02	-953.9601	0.0000
	SEO03	-1053.8394	0.0000

Figure 4: Errors/Offsets in Northing and Easting of Compass Software Positions

Table 4: Differences between Offsets and Mean Differences in Positions

RE	COLUMBUS	GEOCAL		AllTrans	
COORDINATE	NORTHING	EASTING	NORTHING	EASTING	NORTHING
OFFSET	7.9016	3.1438	7.9016	3.1438	7.9016
MEAN DIFF	7.8812	3.1388	285.7919	2.5757	7.8815
DIFFERENCE	0.0204	0.0050	-277.8003	0.5691	0.0201

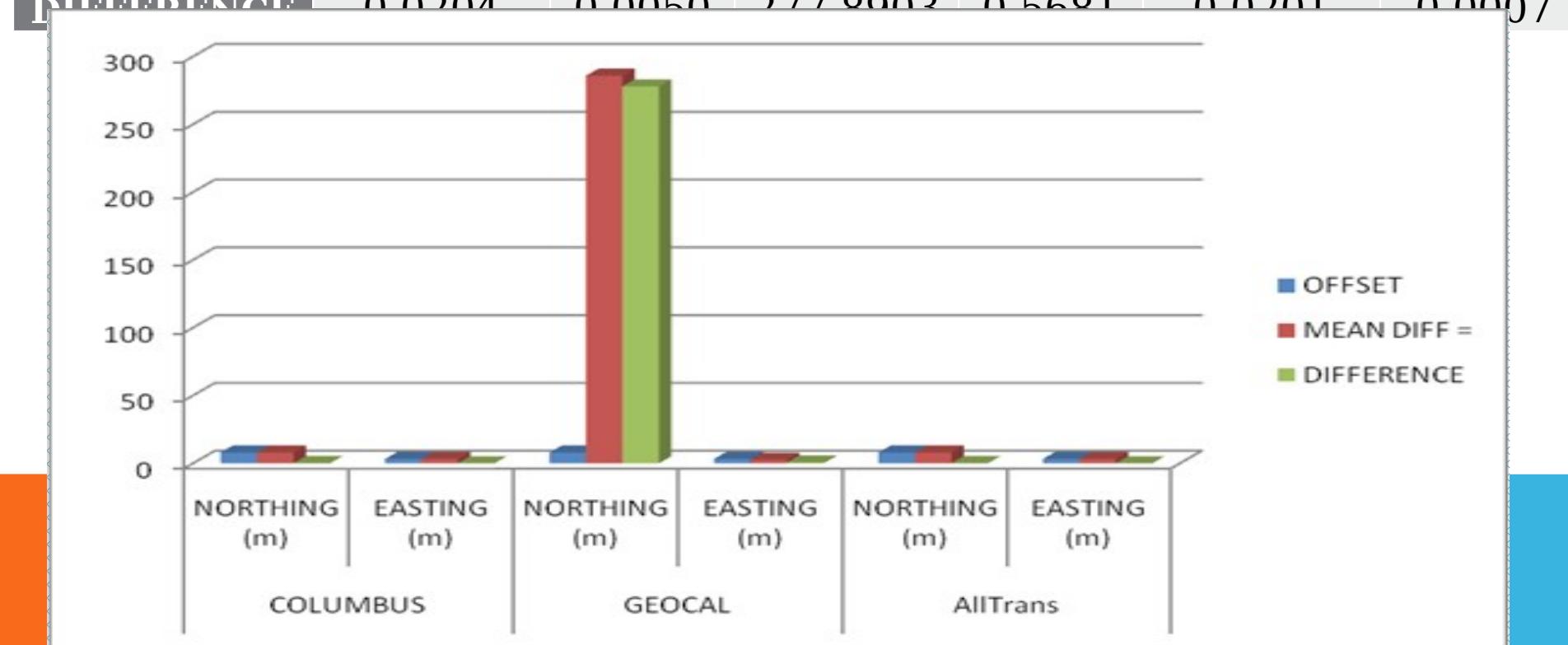


Figure 5: Plot of Differences between Compass Coordinates  
Offsets and Mean Differences in Positions

## □ CONCLUSION

- The study has successfully compared three geodetic datum transformation software (Columbus, AllTrans and GeoCalc).
- Recommended two (Columbus and AllTrans) for application between WGS 84 and Minna Datum.

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